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(54) **EDIBLE FILM EASILY DISPERSIBLE IN WATER**

(57)Abstract:

PURPOSE: To obtain an edible film which can be easily disintegrated by immersing in water to release a food, by mixing a micro-fibrillated water-insoluble natural fiber with a polyhydroxy compound and using the mixture as a binder.

CONSTITUTION: Microfibrillated water-insoluble natural fiber such as cellulose, chitin, chitosan, etc., and a polyhydroxy compound such as monosaccharide, oligosaccharide, polysaccharide, polyhydric alcohol, pullulan, gelatin, pectin, etc., are suspended in water. A food having the form of powder, granule, flake, etc., is mixed to the obtained suspension and the mixture is cast and dried in the mixed state.

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